

# Holistic Lithography

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# Holistic Lithography – Introduction

## **Customer Problem:**

- Beyond 20nm node scanner and non scanner contributions must be addressed to meet patterning performance requirements

## **ASML Holistic Lithography:**

- ASML provides a unique and comprehensive holistic capability via integration of scanner with computational lithography, metrology sensors feeding into scanner knobs to control the process
- The scanner is the only manufacturing tool processing and controlling the wafer at field / die level

## **Customer benefits:**

- Increased collaboration and technical intimacy with ASML experts & solutions enable faster and better ramp
- Yield is improved, rework & cycle time are reduced

## **ASML business opportunity**

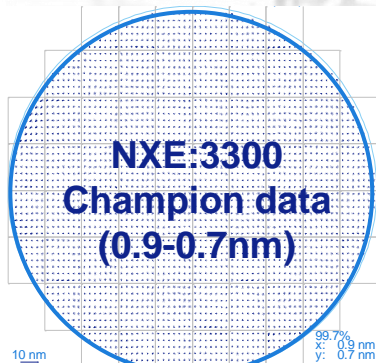
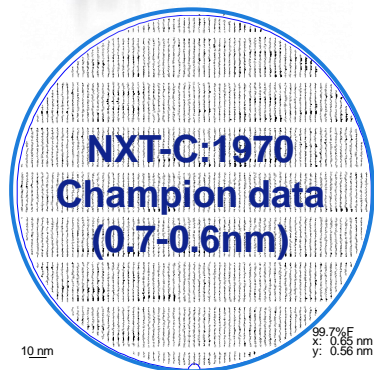
- Holistic lithography revenue opportunity of 1B€ within next 3 years (>20% per year), at very good margins

# Customer problem: scanner and non scanner contributors to patterning performance must be addressed – example Overlay

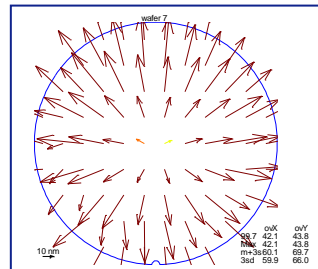
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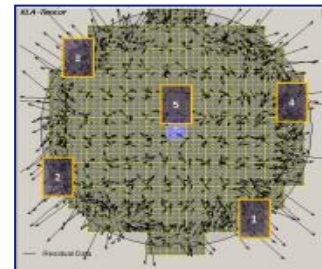
## Scanner Overlay Error Contribution



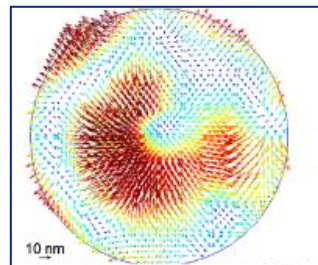
## Other Overlay Error Contributors



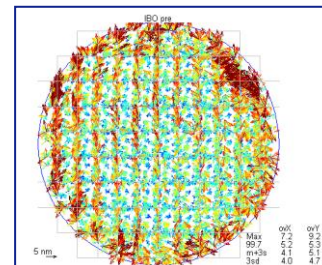
Wafer alignment



Etch fingerprint



CMP fingerprint



Metrology accuracy

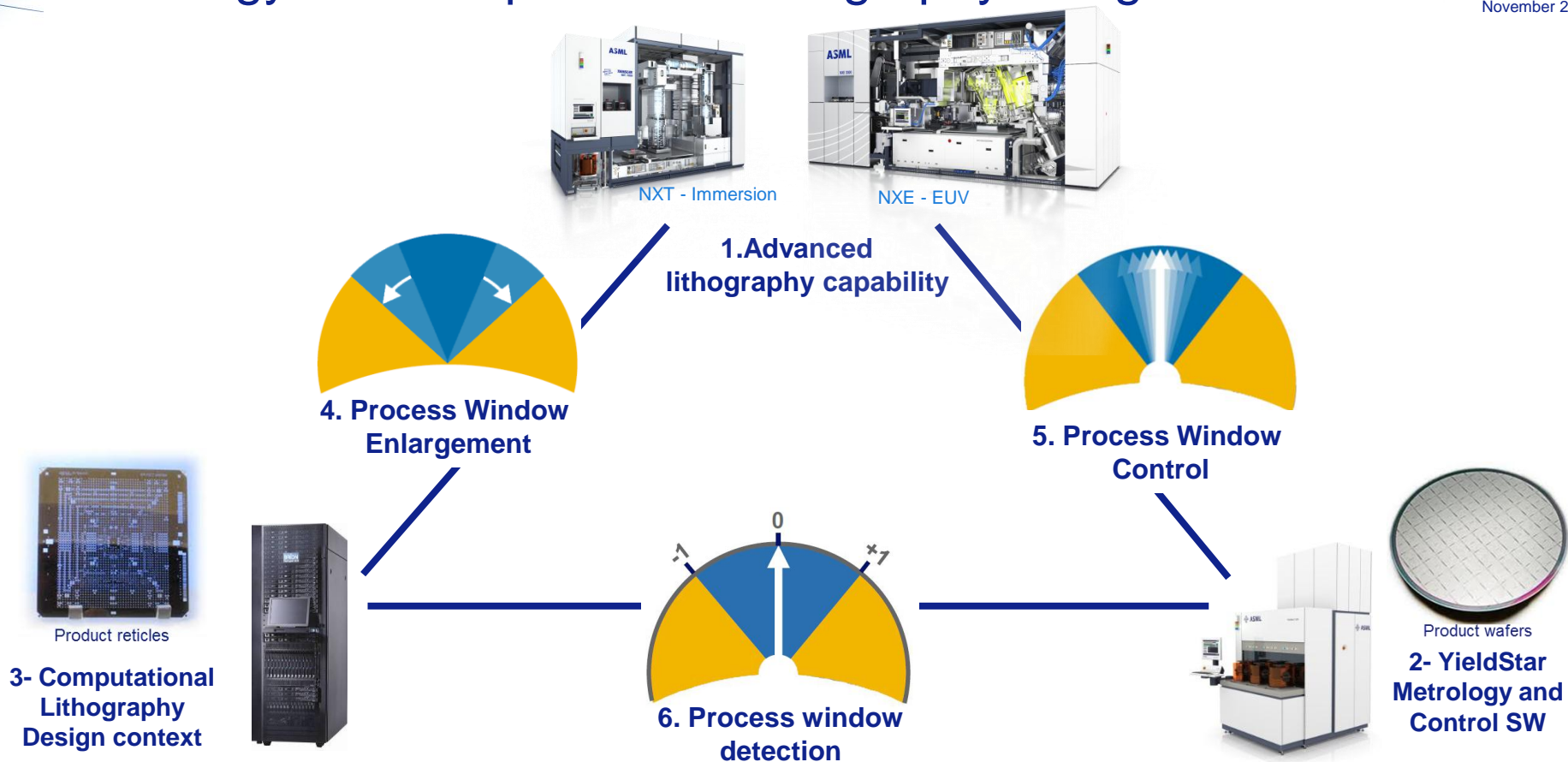
NXT-C:1970 & NXE:3300 - Scanner OVERLAY < 2nm

On product OVERLAY > 6nm

# ASML holistic lithography: links the scanner to YieldStar metrology and computational lithography design context

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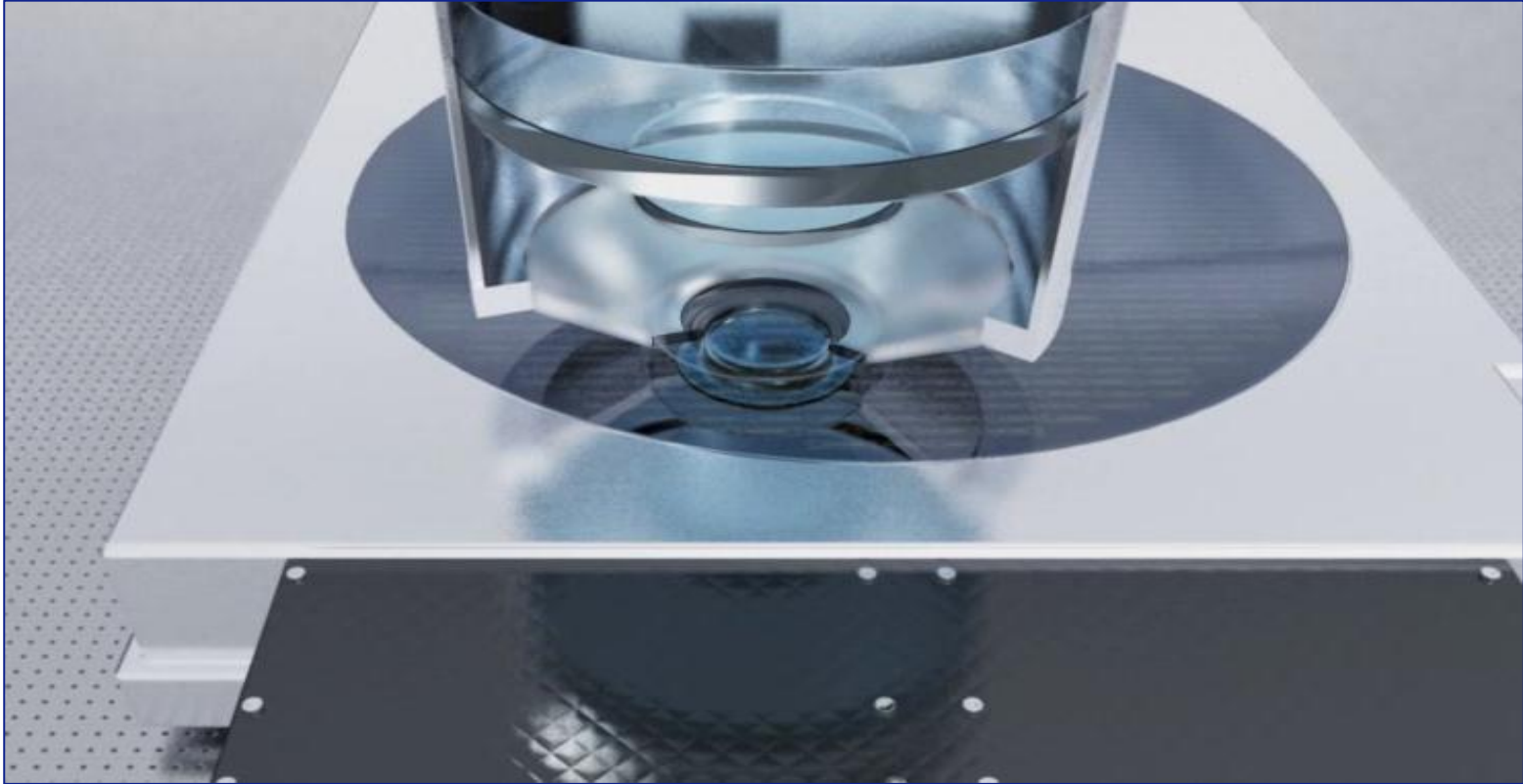
# Why ASML?: Scanner is the only tool processing and controlling the wafer at field level

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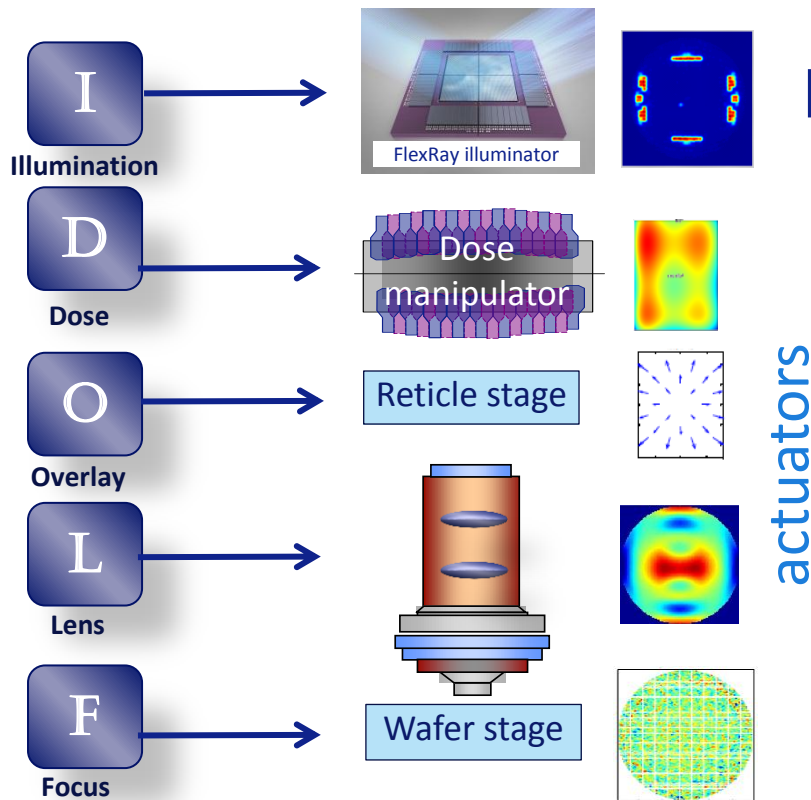


# Why ASML?: Multiple scanner knobs enable in-line optimization of patterning performance

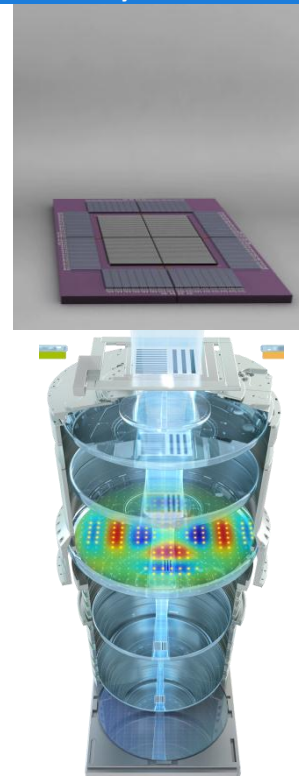
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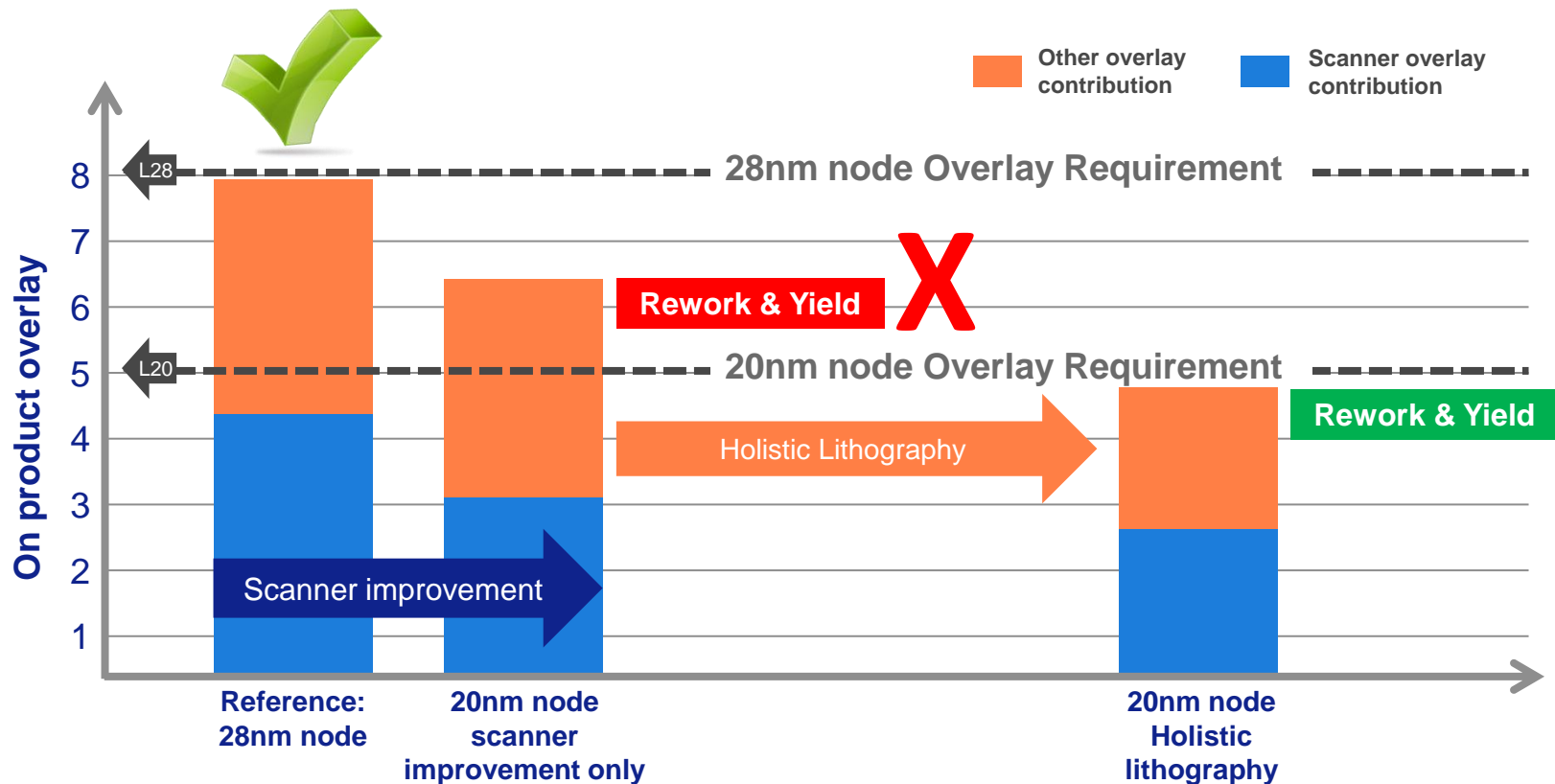
Interfaces (knobs)



FlexRay illuminator



# Customer benefits: Adoption of holistic lithography at 20nm node enables customers to meet patterning requirements



# ASML is working intimately with its customers to deliver patterning requirement through our expert support

			Customer Technology Nodes							
			2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Customer Engagements	LOGIC	Customer A				O F	O CD	O F CD	O F CD	Node Transition 0x
		Customer B			O	O F	O F D	Node Transition 1x		Node Transition 0x
		Customer C			O	O F CD	O F Pa	Node transition 1x		Node transition 0x
		Customer D			O	O F Pa D	O F Pa CD	Node transition 1x		Node transition 0x
	MEMORY	Customer E	O CD	O F CD D	O F Pa D	Node transition 2x		Node transition 1x		Node transition 0x
		Customer F			O		O F	O F	Node transition D1X	
		Customer G		O	O	O F	Node transition D2X		Node transition D1x	Node transition D1y
		Customer H	O	O CD	O F	O F	Node transition D2X		Node transition D1x	Node transition D1y

Increasing Customers

Increased Scope

CD= Imaging (CDU) D= Defectivity F= Focus, O = Overlay, Pa = Patterning (Computational lithography), Node transition = multiple competencies for entire node



# ASML will build and implement holistic lithography infrastructure over the next 5 years



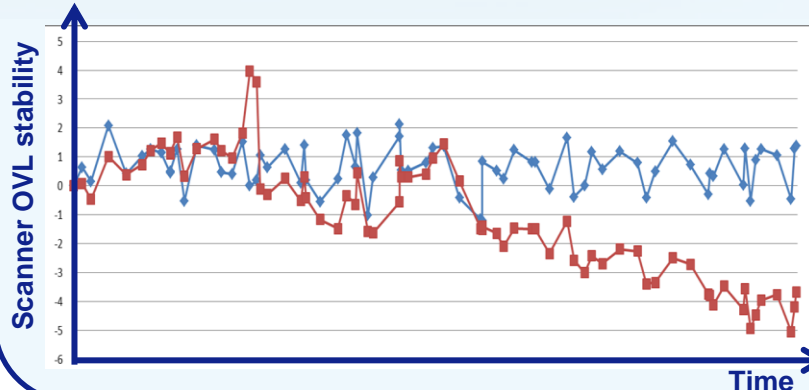
Standalone  
YieldStar



Test wafers  
Overlay, Focus  
(Low frequency, dense data)



Scanner stable  $\pm 1$ nm over 12 months



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2012

2013

2014

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2016

2017

2018

2019

2020

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YieldStar

Integrated YieldStar



Test wafers

Overlay, Focus

(Low frequency, dense data)

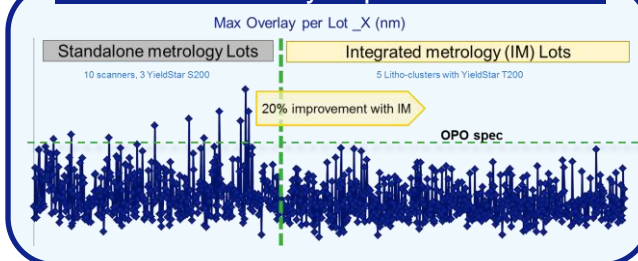
Product wafers

Overlay, Focus & CD after Lithography

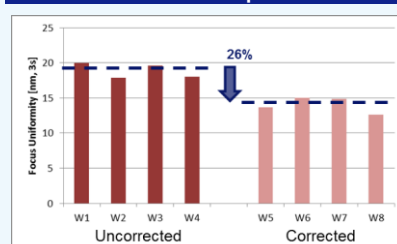
(High frequency, sparse data)



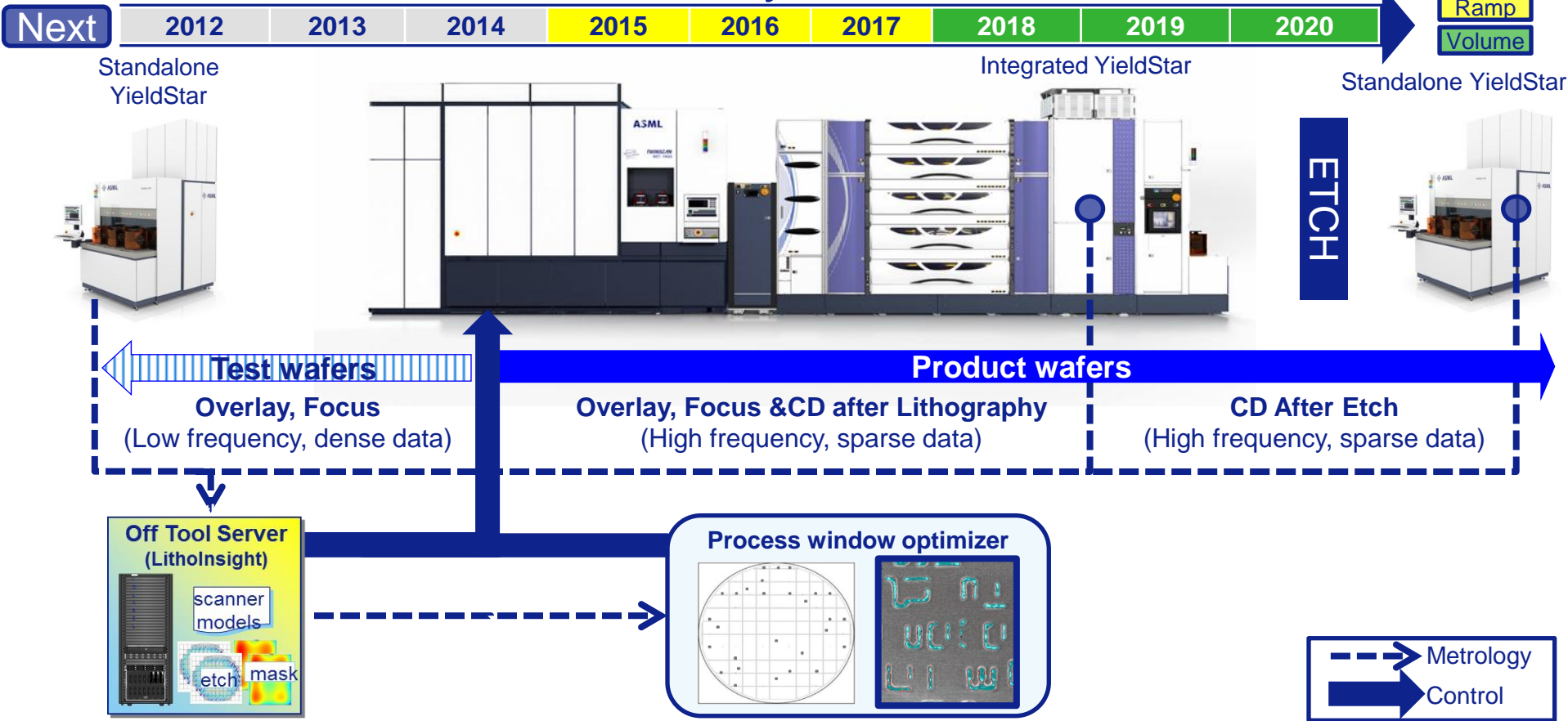
20% overlay improvement



20% focus improvement



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**So far:** BRION computational lithography continues to extend process window, also using scanners interfaces

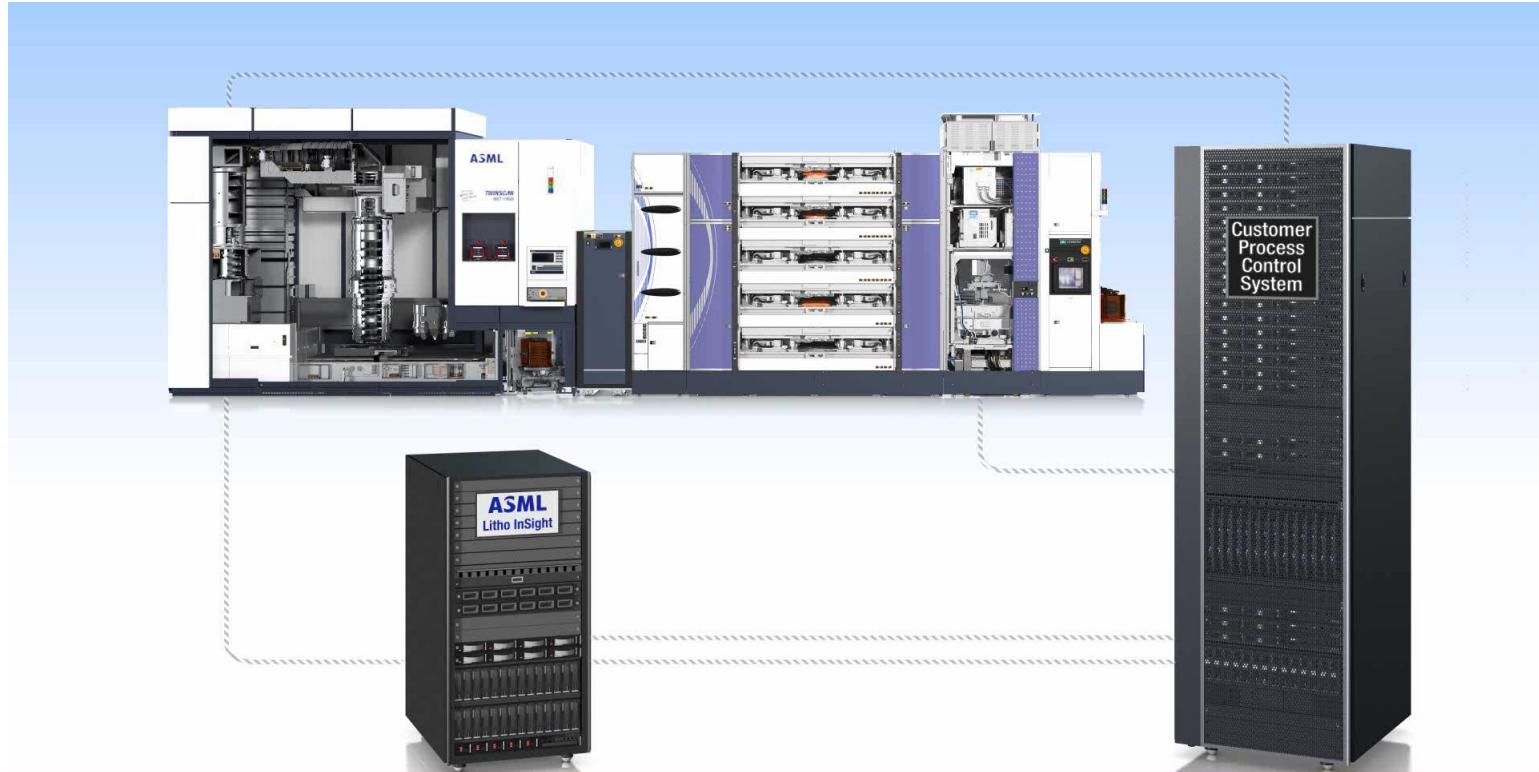


**ASML Holistic Lithography™**  
**Full-chip Source and Mask Optimization**

# Now: Computational lithography enters wafer fab to provide design context to metrology...

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Improve metrology by YieldStar target and Scanner mark optimization

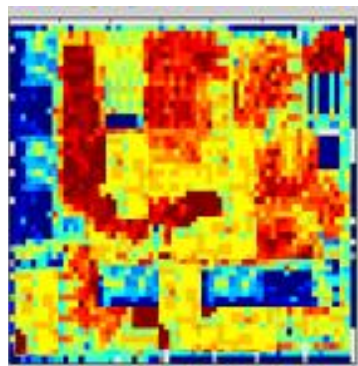
# ... and control software – Process window optimization

## With subsequent SEM based verification and Scanner focus optimization

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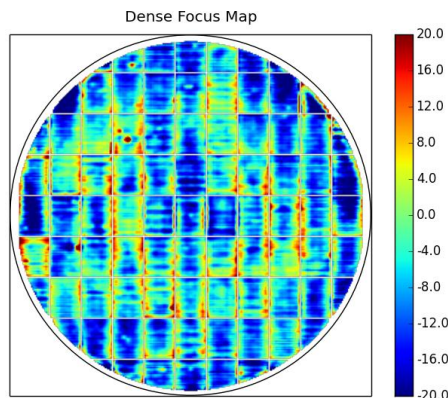
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Simulated & through SMO  
optimized die based Process  
Window Map



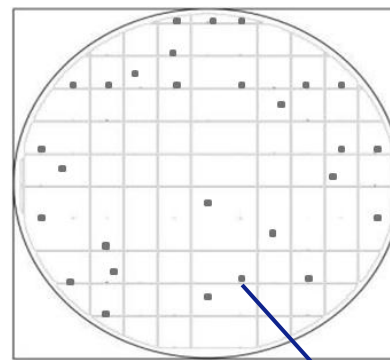
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Measured actual product  
wafer Defocus Map

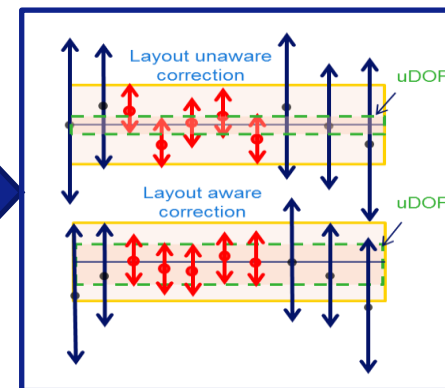


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Patterning defect map  
prediction through PW/DM  
maps convolution



Defect Focus optimization  
using scanner knobs

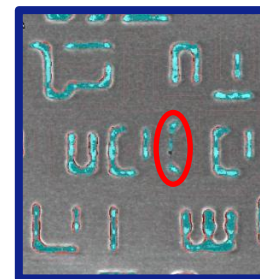


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Scanner & YieldStar Metrology

Defect prediction  
based followed by  
verification

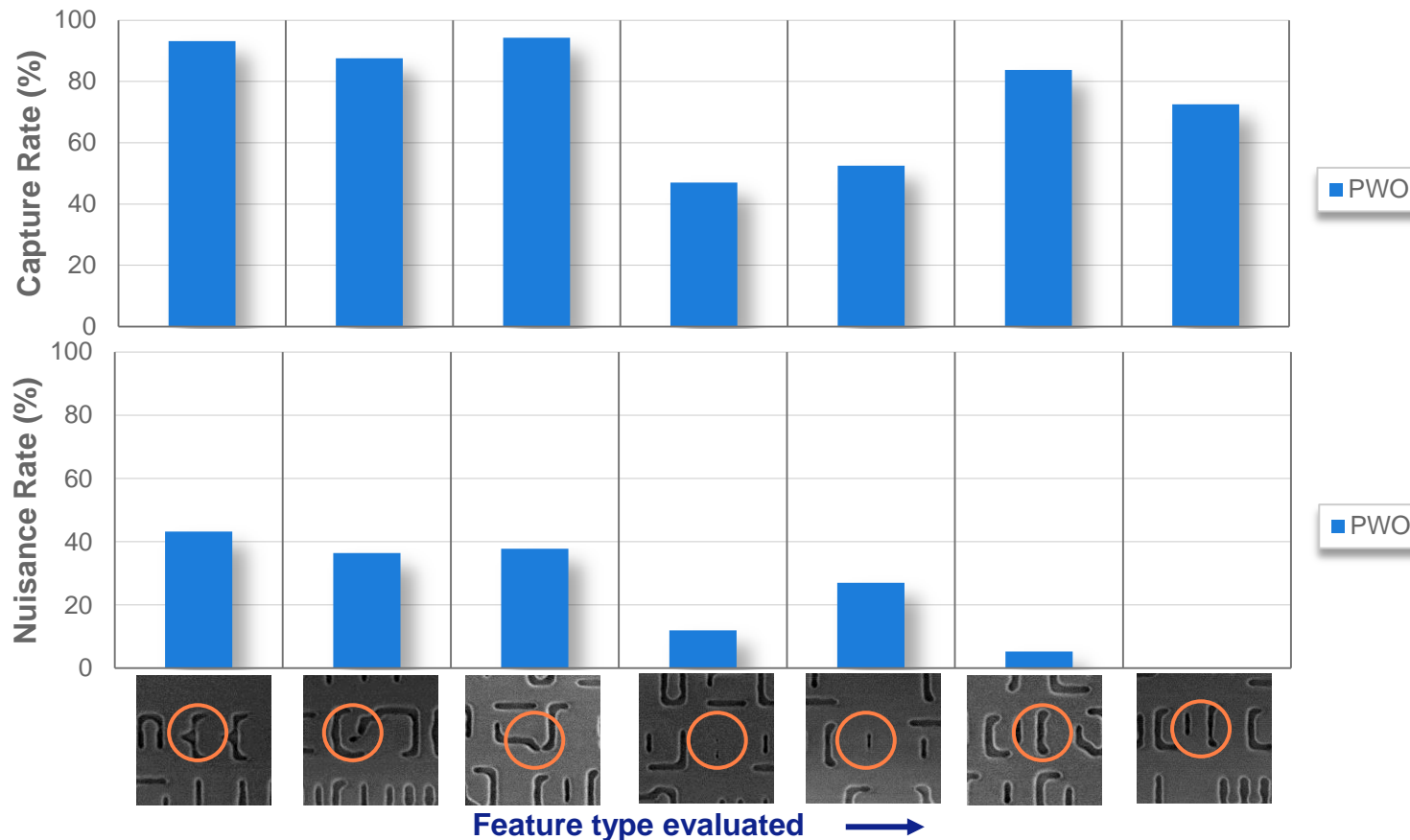


Scanner



# Good prospects Process Window Optimization

## Capturing more defects vs. POR Inspection as verified by SEM



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Scanner performance with control knobs & interfaces to enable correction of errors outside of scanner

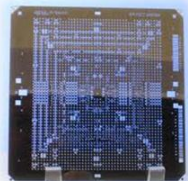


NXT - Immersion



NXE - EUV

Modeling capability via computational lithography with unique design/scanner knowledge



Product reticles

**3- Computational Lithography Design context**



**4. Process Window Enlargement**



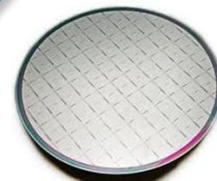
**1. Advanced lithography capability**

Process control loops seamlessly integrated with scanner control capability to deliver ultimate on product performance



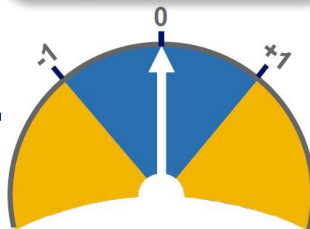
**5. Process Window Control**

Metrology provides accurate (design aware) volume data to enable correction capability



Product wafers

**2- YieldStar Metrology and Control SW**



**6. Process window detection**

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